



Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago Meeting Minutes Special Meeting

100 East Erie Street
Chicago, IL 60611

Chairman of Finance Frank Avila, Commissioner Cameron Davis, Commissioner Kimberly Du Buclet, Commissioner Marcelino Garcia, Vice-President Barbara J. McGowan, Commissioner Josina Morita, Commissioner Debra Shore, Commissioner Mariyana T. Spyropoulos, President Board of Commissioners Kari K. Steele

Thursday, November 7, 2019

1:00 PM

Board Room

DEPARTMENTAL BUDGET PRESENTATIONS

Call Meeting to Order

Frank Avila, Chairman for the Committee on Budget and Employment, called the meeting to order at 1:05 p.m.

Roll Call

Present: 9 - Frank Avila; Cameron Davis; Kimberly Du Buclet; Marcelino Garcia; Barbara J. McGowan; Josina Morita; Debra Shore; Mariyana T. Spyropoulos; and Kari K. Steele

Public Comment

None

Clerk to Read Call of the Meeting

- 1 [19-1111](#) To the Honorable President and
Members of the Board of Commissioners
of the Metropolitan Water Reclamation
District of Greater Chicago

Ladies and Gentlemen:

At the direction of President Kari K. Steele and presiding Chairman of the Committee on Budget and Employment, Frank Avila, a Special Meeting will be held on Thursday, November 7, 2019, at 1:00 p.m. in the Board Room, 100 East Erie Street, Chicago, Illinois.

The purpose of this meeting is to present and accept the 2020 Executive Director's Budget Recommendations and related changes.

The Executive Director's Budget Recommendations is available for review on the District's website, www.mwrd.org <<http://www.mwrd.org>>.

/s/ Jacqueline Torres
Clerk

Attachments: [2020 Budget Executive Director Presentation](#)
[2020 Budget Presentation Departmental Slides](#)

A motion was made by Mariyana T. Spyropoulos, seconded by Kari K. Steele, that this Report be Published and Filed. The motion carried by acclamation. Chorus of ayes - No nays

- 2 [19-1109](#) Authority to Accept the Executive Director's 2020 Budget Recommendations and the Attached Changes

Attachments: [BF-19 Consolidated Packet FINAL.pdf](#)

A motion was made by Kari K. Steele, seconded by Kimberly Du Buclet, that this Agenda Item be Adopted. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Aye: 5 - Frank Avila; Cameron Davis; Kimberly Du Buclet; Debra Shore; Kari K. Steele

Absent: 4 - Marcelino Garcia; Barbara J. McGowan; Josina Morita; Mariyana T. Spyropoulos

Open Discussion

Brian A. Perkovich, Executive Director, presented the 2020 Budget Recommendations

Summary of Requests

Engineering - Stormwater Management Fund

1. Debra Shore requested the District consider outsourcing to get more projects done
2. Cameron Davis requested a place holder of \$100K to help green infrastructure in Stormwater Management Fund

Engineering - Corportate Fund

1. Marcelino Garcia requested information on how the \$214K budget for local education is utilized

Finance

1. Debra Shore requested possible increase for court reporting service to include the technical advisory committee
2. Debra Shore requested a memo to the Board on how to search Board proceedings and old transcripts

Law

1. Cameron Davis and Marcelino Garcia requested the Board have their own legal position

General Administration

1. Mariyana T. Spyropoulos requested sink and light sensors be added to restrooms
2. Debra Shore requested a space study be conducted for the District's main office building

Human Resources

1. Debra Shore requested a report on the impact of the Parental Leave program on the budget
2. Debra Shore requested a survey by employees on the Return to Work program

Board of Commissioners/Treasury

1. Debra Shore requested staff research potential legislative changes for transferring surplus revenues

Adjournment

**A motion was made by Debra Shore, seconded by Cameron Davis, that this Special Meeting be Adjourned. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:
/s/ Jacqueline Torres, Clerk**

Aye: 5 - Frank Avila; Cameron Davis; Kimberly Du Buclet; Debra Shore; Kari K. Steele

Absent: 4 - Marcelino Garcia; Barbara J. McGowan; Josina Morita; Mariyana T. Spyropoulos

APPROVAL:

In accordance with the provisions of 70ILCS 2605/4, each of the foregoing agenda items duly adopted by the Board of Commissioners of the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago this November 7, 2019, are hereby approved.

APPROVED:

/s/ Kari K. Steele

President Board of Commissioners of the
Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago

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